

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. ^{PC} 66-37-2

Maryland Historic Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE ___ yes ___ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)				
historic	Follin Guest House			
and/or common				
2. Location				
Street & number	6801 Baltimore Avenue			___ not for publication
City, town	College Park	___ vicinity of	Congressional District	
State	Maryland	County	Prince George's	
3. Classification				
Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
___ building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	___ private residence
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	___ no	___ military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: Guest House
4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing address of all owners)				
Name Follin, Herman H., Jr. & Barbara L				
Street & number 6801 Baltimore Avenue			Telephone no	
City, town College Park			State & zip code Maryland 20740	
5. Location of Legal Description				
Courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Offices			Liber 5757	
Street & number			folio 518	
City, town Upper Marlboro			State Maryland	
6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys				
Title				
Date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local				
Depository for survey records				
City, town State				

7. Description

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Condition		Check One	Check One	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

6801 Baltimore Avenue is a symmetrical, five bay, two story, brick structure with a gable roof. There is an interior chimney in each gable-end. The primary elevation faces west. The door is unglazed cross and bible with three side lights to each side. There is a glazed, louvered storm door and wooden paneled door surround. First floor windows are twelve-over-twelve double-hung with a wooden panel beneath them to the floor of the gallery. Each window has a three-paneled shutter to each side. The gallery has a sloping shed roof and is supported by six square wooden posts. The floor of the gallery is concrete. Spanning each post is a wooden segmental arch. The roof of both the gallery and house is asphalt shingle. The foundation is brick.

The windows on the second floor are placed in wall dormers and are six-over-six double-hung. The windows begin at the terminus of the gallery roof at the wall.

Near the southwest corner of the house, along the south elevation, is an entry porch which gives access to a former office (see section 8 and attached plan). The porch has a sloping shed roof supported by two square wooden posts.

There is a sun-room and wooden deck on the east elevation, both of which are later additions.

The structure is set to the rear of its lot and is accessed by a circular drive and drive to the north of the building. The lot is flat, but slopes away to the rear. There are several mature trees and minimal landscaping in the front yard and ground planting along the south elevation.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance – Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology– prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology – historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/ government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates: built 1939**Builder/Architect:**

Check:

Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ DApplicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ GLevel of Significance: ☐ National ☐ State ☒ Local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The builder of the Follin Guest House used the structure as his office while constructing the adjacent terrace apartment complexes just north of 6801 Baltimore Avenue (I was unable to locate his name). The builder occupied the guest house from its construction in 1939 through 1940. The office was located in the southwest corner of the structure (see attached plan).

The Follin Guest House was established in May, 1940. It has remained in constant use as a guest house since its founding, and today continues to serve in this capacity. Tenants are primarily in residence for several months or longer.

Although a multi-party dwelling, the structure reads as a single family home and is in character with the rest of the neighborhood. The only indication that this is not a private residence is the small sign in the front yard. The Follin Guest House contributes significance to the neighborhood for several reasons:

- 1) its association with one of the businessmen who contributed to the development of the neighborhood;
- 2) it is a link between the commercial strip along Route 1 and the residential neighborhood to the east;
- 3) its association with the university -- many of the original boarders were students at the University of Maryland.

9. Major Bibliographic References

Property transfer records computer, Prince George's County offices

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle Scale _____

Quadrangle Scale _____

UTM References: (do not complete UTM references)

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

State	Code	County	Code
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Date April 1, 1998

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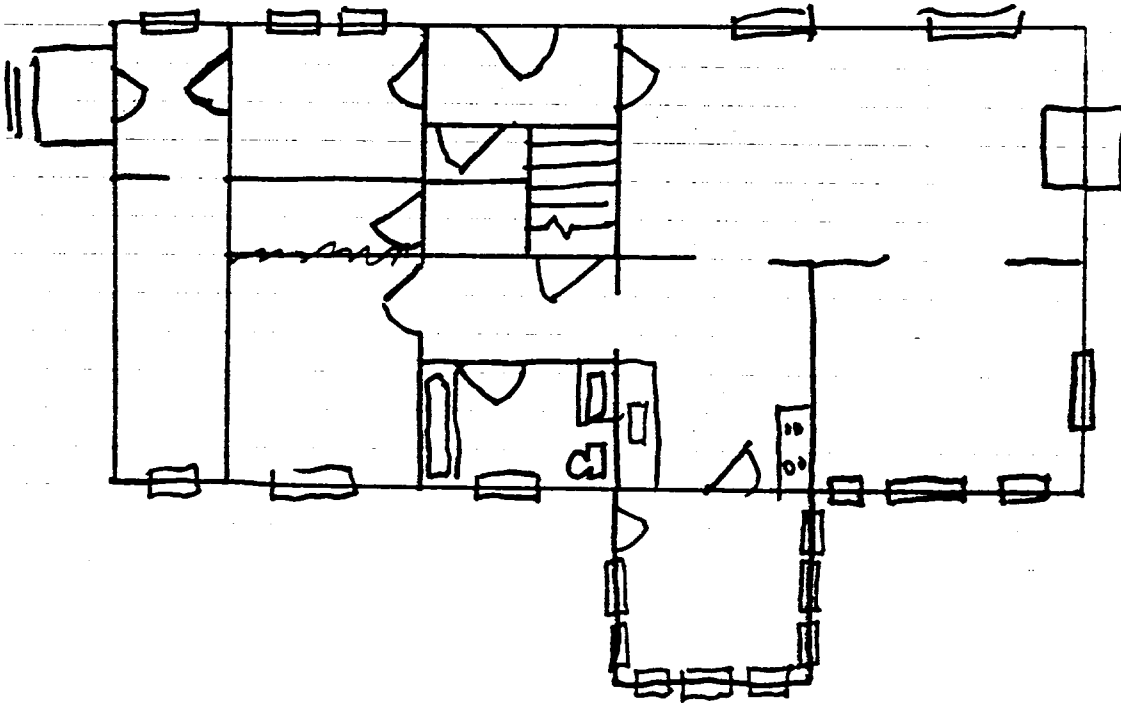
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State DC

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